

What We've Accomplished Together



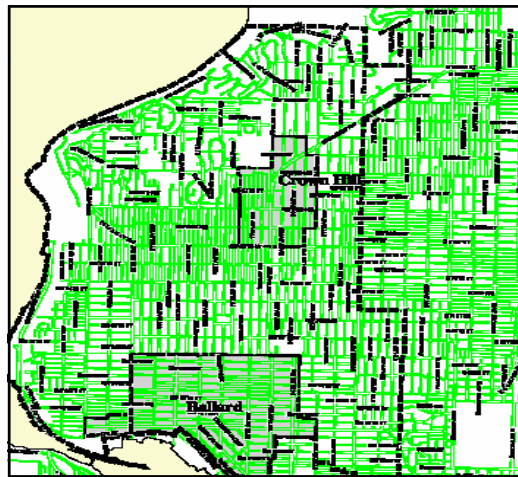
Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor
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Neighborhood: Crown Hill—Ballard Hub
Urban Village

Plan Adopted: 1998

Key Elements:

1. Ballard Civic Center implementation
2. Burke-Gilman Trail



Crown Hill—Ballard Neighborhood Plan
Northwest Sector

What happened in 2002

- **Ballard Civic Center Master Plan**-The Ballard Civic Center will include a 1.5-acre park, library, neighborhood service center, and mixed-use development. A subcommittee of the Ballard District Council helped to guide the City in implementing the Master Plan. The Mayor submitted the City's response to the plan in October, identifying City commitments for implementation.
- **Ballard Civic Center Library**- Both the Seattle Design Commission and the Arts Commission reviewed and approved the direction of the project late in the year, setting the stage for full-scale design in 2003.
- **Ballard Civic Center Street Master Plan**-A key element of the Ballard Civic Center Master Plan was the development of a street master plan to create a consistent and safe pedestrian-friendly streetscape design throughout the planning area. The City completed its review of the street master plan in mid 2002 and added the street master plan to the *Seattle Street Improvement Manual* in late 2002.
- **Market Street Improvements**-The deteriorating brick intersection of Market and Leary, and reconstruction of the adjacent Ballard Transit Hub, was substantially completed in time for the Ballard Seafood Fest in July, with finishing touches following in August. The project was jointly funded by Seattle Department of Transportation, Metro, and the Department of Neighborhoods' Opportunity Fund and included a Tom Miller Memorial to honor the longtime Ballard activist.
- **Salmon Bay Natural Area**-Non-profit Groundswell NW acquired the last undeveloped wooded shoreline along the Salmon Bay Waterway, between Hiram's and the railroad bridge. Together with the street-end and other adjacent public lands, the property contains over 680 feet of undeveloped estuarine shoreline.
- **Loyal Heights Elementary Playground**-Construction of playground improvements were completed in October at Loyal Heights Elementary. Seattle Public Utilities, the Gray to Green Program, a King County Youth Sports Field Grant, and the Neighborhood Matching Fund were major contributors.
- **Soundview Playground**-Plans were finalized for over \$400,000 in improvements to the long neglected Soundview Playground, serving the northwest corner of the Crown Hill Urban Village. With funding from the Neighborhood Matching Fund and the State of Washington, construction drawings were completed in 2002.

What's Upcoming In 2003

- **Ballard Civic Center**-Design continues on the Ballard Civic Center Library in 2003, with construction beginning later this year and scheduled for completion in 2004. The branch library will be one of the city's larger, at 15,000 square feet and has a total construction budget of just over \$7M. For updates, visit: <http://www.spl.org/lfa/index.html>
- **Bergen Place Park**-Design of Bergen Place finishes up in early 2003 and construction is scheduled for this year. For more information, visit <http://www.cityofseattle.net/parks/proparks/projects/bergenPlacePark.htm>.
- **Ballard Gateway Project**-This project includes the fabrication and installation of eight lighted art sculptures on the Ballard Bridge overpass. Funded initially by private Millennium Lighting funds, the project has received a Large Project Neighborhood Matching Fund award for its completion. Installation is scheduled for early 2003.
- **Thyme Patch Park**-Construction is underway of this pocket park and P-Patch on the 2800 block of NW 58th St., serving the west edge of the Ballard Urban Village. The project is scheduled to be completed by Spring 2003.
- **Salmon Bay School**-Plans are progressing on improvements to the former Monroe School site, serving the northeast corner of the Ballard Urban Village. With landscaping of the front of the school complete, attention has turned to the upper sports field improvements. Plans call for replacing the asphalt blacktop with a multi-use all-weather field, track and sports courts.
- **Soundview Playground**-Construction is slated to begin in early 2003.
- **Monorail**— Planning for monorail station design and alignment continues throughout 2003.
- **Burke-Gilman Trail** - In early 2003, City Council passed legislation forwarded by the Mayor to complete the "missing link" along with other trail extensions, perhaps as early as 2005.

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